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It was good to talk with you last week. I was very happy to hear you confirm that you will let us use the material you told us on video tape that was based on your information of a previously untold aspect of the Cuban Missile Crisis.

As promised, I'm enclosing a release form which upon your signature will formalize your permission to include this material in our film.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or if there is any other information I can provide.

I look forward to keeping in touch.

Sincerely,

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Dear Dan,

I just watched you for a few minutes discussing the exciting events at the SAM Site in Cuba from which Major Anderson's plane was shot down. Your account certainly underlined the point of how little those nominally in command are really in control in the course of a deep crisis. It would be helpful to all of us if you could let us have copies of any of the underlying intelligence material on which you base your account. So far, none of the other people we have interviewed are familiar with the incident you report. The producers are therefore nervous about using the material and I share their concern.

With warmest greetings.

Cordially,

Carl

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Dear Dan,

That was the week that was!

As promised, I've enclosed dubs of all the Kennedy school sessions we recorded. First is the morning press conference (you may not be able to hear all of the reporters questions as we miked only the participants), next is the afternoon speech by Burlotsky with some Q and A from the Kennedy School audience, and finally Bundy's speech and Bulotsky's reponse that evening open to the public. The audio quality is uneven, especially when our camera broke away for reaction shots, my apologies. However,hope that these THREE HOURS of tape will be almost as good as being there. Only wish you had been!

I'm also sending you a copy of the transcript of Oct 27th as released by The Kennedy Library. Please let me know if, when you compare it to the one you read, there are any important omissions.

I'll send you dubs of the series we aired here this week as soon as I can get an editor to do it (should be able to send it off next Tues). The series was very well received and generated alot of comment.(though we did have a techinical glitch one night of the three part series). You were prominent in all three parts, a "beacon of truth " one viewer called you! Everyone here at the News agreed. Look forward to hearing your reaction.

In the meantime , I look forward to your OP ED piece. As I told you on the phone yesterday, I'm sending tapes of the series to MACNEIL/LEHRER to try and get them interested in talking with you, and I discussed the idea with NIGHTLINE, thinking both shows have the kind of format where the re's

time to discuss the implications for present day arms control and the past 25 yrs. of foreign policy. The ball is now in their court. Only hope someone has the sense to figure out why it should be done — and how.

Trusting that you, too, want the story out, I'm interested in writing it up as a print piece for a magazine. I'll talk with you more about that after I've chased down a few contacts. (All this week I've been buried in the series here at WGBH) Any ideas?

Finally, I hope we'll be able to meet again sometime soon. Only next time, let's have more time and less expense (to you!). Again, many, many thanks for taking the time to explain it all to me — and for making the series one of the most exciting I've ever worked on. More than anything, thanks for your friendship & generousity.

With warmth & admiration,

Meg

P.S.

Trust you've received the tapes of the interview we did which was sent to you Federal Express last week... please let me know if you didn't.

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